

## Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 PRETOR 01007 081605Z

46

ACTION AF-06

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 DOTE-00 ACDA-10 PM-04 AID-05 CIAE-00

COME-00 EB-07 FRB-01 INR-07 NSAE-00 USIA-15 TRSE-00

XMB-04 OPIC-06 SP-02 CIEP-02 LAB-04 SIL-01 OMB-01

EUR-12 L-03 DODE-00 PA-02 PRS-01 /094 W

----- 043773

R 081416Z MAR 76

FM AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3956

INFO AMEMBASSY BLANTYRE

AMCONSUL CAPE TOWN

AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM

AMEMBASSY MBABANE

AMCONSUL DURBAN

AMEMBASSY GABORONE

AMCONSUL JOHANNESBURG

AMEMBASSY KINSHASA

AMEMBASSY LUSAKA

AMEMBASSY MAPUTO

AMEMBASSY MASERU

UNCLAS PRETORIA 1007

CAPE TOWN ALSO FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRN, BC, CG, SF, MZ, RH, ZA

SUBJ:SA RAILWAYS MANAGER SAYS RAILWAYS WOULD HELP RHODESIA.

1. RAND DAILY MAIL FOR MARCH 8 REPORTS STATEMENT BY SA RAILWAYS  
GENERAL MANAGER LOUBSER TO THE EFFECT THAT SA RAILWAYS WOULD  
HELP RHODESIA COUNTER EFFECTS OF CLOSURE OF RHODESIA/MOZAMBIQUE  
BORDER " IF CALLED ON TO DO SO."

2. LOUBSER DENIED STORY IN SUNDAY TIMES MARCH 7 QUOTING HIM AS  
SAYING SAR COULD NOT HELP RHODESIANS. HE SAID THAT HE HAD MEANT  
UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 PRETOR 01007 081605Z

AND SAID ONLY THAT SAR WOULD NOT HELP RESCUE TRAPPED

RHODESIAN GOODS AND ROLLING STOCK IN MOZAMBIQUE, NOT THAT SAR WOULD NOT CARRY ADDITIONAL RHODESIAN TRAFFIC.

3. LOUBSER SAID RAILWAYS HAD EXTRA CAPACITY AS A RESULT OF LESSENER IMPORT TRAFFIC. SAR WOULD HANDLE ALL TRAFFIC FOR NEIGHBORING STATES " UP TO THE CAPACITY LAID DOWN FOR THE LINES CONCERNED." HE ADDED THAT A DECISION ON WHICH GOODS WOULD RECEIVE PRIORITY AND WHETHER SAR WOULD CARRY STRATEGIC SUPPLIES WOULD BE MADE BY POLITICIANS, NOT THE SAR.  
BOWDLER

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 JAN 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** PRESS COMMENTS, RAILROADS, FOREIGN ASSISTANCE, RAILROAD ACCESS  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 08 MAR 1976  
**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** n/a  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** n/a  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:**  
**Disposition Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1976PRETOR01007  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** N/A  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Film Number:** D760087-0722  
**From:** PRETORIA  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1976/newtext/t19760384/aaaacwds.tel  
**Line Count:** 72  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM  
**Office:** ACTION AF  
**Original Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 2  
**Previous Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** n/a  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** ShawDG  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 27 AUG 2004  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <27 AUG 2004 by meiwc>; APPROVED <03 DEC 2004 by ShawDG>  
**Review Markings:**

Margaret P. Grafeld  
Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
04 MAY 2006

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** A RAILWAYS MANAGER SAYS RAILWAYS WOULD HELP RHODESIA.  
**TAGS:** ETRN, BC, CG, SF, MZ, RH, ZA, SA RAILWAYS, (LOUBSER)  
**To:** STATE  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006